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REPORT NO.1. The following information on the organization and disposition
of the Soviet Zone border police in Thuringia was supplied:a. Border police area headquarters ("Grenzpolizeibereitschaften")
are located in the following towns:

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b. Each border police area headquarters has a personnel of
800 to 1,000, organized into companies.c. Border police are being trained with light infantry
weapons, such as "98" carbines, "08" and "38" pistols and
light machine guns.d. Three or four border police sector headquarters (Grenz-
polizeikommandantur), with a personnel of 150 to 200 each,
are subordinate to the average border police area headquarters
("Grenzpolizeibereitschaft").e. The chief of a border police area headquarters ("Grenz-
polizeibereitschaft") is called "Kommandeur" (commander) and
ranks as "Oberpolizeirat" (wearing epaulets of a major).f. The chief of a border police sector headquarters ("Grenz-
polizeikommandantur") is called "Kommandanturleiter" (komman-
datura-chief) and ranks as "Polizeirat" (captain).g. The authorized strength of the border police posts
("Grenzpolizeikommando") differs. Distinction is made between
"normal" and "manned" border police posts.

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h. The authorized strength of a "single" border police post averages 18 police, and that of a "double" border police post 35 police.

i. A "single" border police post is composed as follows:

(1) "Kommandoleiter" (chief of post), ranking as "Polizeimeister" (master sergeant).

(2) "Polit-Kommissar", abbr.: "PK" (political commissar), ranking as "Hauptwachtmeister" (sergeant).

(3) Four "'achthabende' (commanders of the guard), ranking as "Oberwachtmeister" (enpcanal) and performing only interior duty.

(4) Border policemen, ranking as "Wachtmeister" (private) and performing guard and patrol duty.

j. Border duty is being done by both border policemen and Soviet soldiers. A guard or patrol unit usually consists of two border policemen and one Soviet soldier, with the latter being in charge.

k. Political commissioners (called "PK-Leute") have the following missions:

(1) Political instruction of border police personnel along Marxist lines.

(2) Lectures on conditions in the Soviet Union.

(3) Surveillance of border police personnel regarding their private life and political attitude.

(4) Checking of all orders, either written or oral, issued by the chief of border police post. (The "PK" has to countersign all written orders issued by the chief of border police post).

(5) Writing of an officiency report (usually at intervals of three months) on the technical qualification and the political attitude of each member of the unit concerned.

(6) Cooperation with the SED (Social Unity Party) locals.

(7) Handling of complaints of police personnel.

(8) Instruction according to order and outlines which, issued by the superior "PK" office every three months, frequently include intelligence missions directed against the border police of the Western Zones of Germany.

l. The following categories of police personnel are to be discharged by a general order.

(1) Police who, as members of the former German Armed Forces, hold ranks higher than that of a sergeant (execution of this order is not uniform).

(2) Police who come from the "western Zones or have blood-relations of the first grade living there.

(3) Police who were in British and US captivity beyond a certain key-date (in 1947).

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(4) Police who were repatriated from eastern countries or whose whereabouts cannot be checked.

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